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Constituency-wise map

* 90 Q.—DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether any constituency-wise map of the State has been published; and

(b) if so, whether it is available for sale to the public?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (a) & (b) In 1957 a map showing the Assembly and Parliamentary Constituencies in Madras State was printed and copies of the map are available for sale in the Central Survey Office, Madras. No map has been published after the issue of the Delimitation of Parliamentary and Assembly Constituencies Order, 1961.

DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Will the Government consider the desirability of printing a new map at least before the next elections so that it may be of use for the intending candidates?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : The hon. Member may kindly put a separate question.

Wakfs

* 91 Q.—DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Wakfs in the City of Madras have been registered;

(b) if so, the names of Wakfs so registered;

(c) the names of Wakfs not yet registered and reasons therefor; and

(d) whether the accounts of the Wakfs have been audited periodically and, if not, the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c) A statement ^a is placed on the table of the House.

(d) The auditors for auditing the accounts of the Wakfs appointed by the State Wakf Board are auditing the accounts of the Wakfs in the districts of Salem, Tiruchirappalli and Thanjavur. The Board is also going to appoint some more auditors in the near future.

DR. A. SREENIVASAN : May I know, Sir, whether there is any proposal before the Government to bring in a comprehensive legislation to control these endowments?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, this is a Central Government Act. This Act was passed in the year 1954. About two years ago the Central Government convened a conference in which certain amendments were discussed by the

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representatives of the State and the Central Governments. The Government of India are taking up amendments as recommended by that conference. So far as this State is concerned, there is no proposal to have any legislation in the matter.

DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Sir, the Hon. Minister just now told us that more auditors would be appointed to check the accounts of these endowments. If it is a Central Government subject, how can the Minister of the Local Government appoint auditors?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Under the provisions of this Central legislation, the State Wakf Board has been constituted and it is functioning. The State Government have also certain functions to perform under the provisions of the Central legislation.

DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : Questions 92, 93 and 94 are postponed.

Package Deal

* 95 Q.—DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether any assessment has been made about the success of the Package Deal introduced in Thanjavur district; and

(b) if so, what it is?

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : (a) & (b) A paper ^a is placed on the table of the House.

DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Is it a fact, Sir, that the Union Government introduced this package deal for Thanjavur district not with a view to increasing the production of paddy but for the increased consumption of the fertilizer?

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : By giving more fertilizer we increase the yield of paddy.

DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Is it not a fact, Sir, that the Thanjavur strain of paddy is not able to take heavy doses of nitrogen as instanced by the application of ammonium sulphate as the stalks of the paddy get large and diminish the production or yield of paddy? That is the result of this intensive nitrification of the soil.

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : If the hon. Member will put a separate question, I will give a definite answer.

DR. A. SREENIVASAN : I can now itself hand over the leaflet issued by the Agricultural Ministry for the consideration of the Hon. Minister. (The hon. Member then handed over the leaflet to the Hon. Minister).